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Allen Dulles of Central Intelligence Agency Believes
Kremlin Downgrading of Former Leader Is
Befuddling Russian People.

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Brother of Secretary of State
Says He Doubts That Reds
Have Ended Tyranny.

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Washington, June 17.
(AP)—Allen W. Dulles,
director of the Cen-
tral Intelligence agency
(CIA), said today he be-
lieves the Russian people
are "pretty badly befud-
dled" by the Kremlin
campaign to downgrade
Stalin.

Dulles said the new Commu-
nist leadership is trying to
destroy a well-entrenched legend
and added:

"I don't believe you can do
that to a people. They haven't
got any school books any more.
They haven't got any history
books. They've got to change the
whole business. And that isn't
easy to do. And the people don't
really know how to take it.
They're befuddled."

Interviewed on TV.

Dulles was interviewed by Rep-
resentative Osertag (R-N, Y.),
in a program filmed for tele-
vision broadcast in upstate New
York. The CIA chief is the
brother of John Foster Dulles,
secretary of state.

He said he doubted the Krem-
lin leaders could upgrade them-
selves by their attack on Stalin.
"It was Stalin that made them,"
but added that they probably
"think they can run the govern-
ment better by doing this."

"You can't run a country if
your people are sullen and un-
easy and frightened," he said.

Dulles described the anti-
Stalin campaign as an attempt
to "persuade the peoples of the
Soviet bloc that they (the new
leaders) are doing away with
tyranny." He added, "I don't
believe they are."

He said the proceedings of last
winter's 20th Communist party
congress reveal that the Comu-
nist program "is not fundamen-
tally changed."

Turn to Soft Line.

"They want to spread commu-
nism throughout the world," he
said. "Now they think they can
do it by other means. They think
the softer line may get them
further than the hard, rigid line
of Stalin."

Dulles was asked whether
Russia leads the United States
in development of an interconti-
nental ballistic missile. He re-
plied:

"I don't want to make a com-
parison there. It's very difficult
to do it. They have made quite
a lot of progress in that field.
But I have no evidence that
they're ahead of us."

As for the development of
atomic power, Dulles said that
on an over-all basis "they're
certainly not ahead of us."